# EAST IDAHO LOCAL EAS PLAN

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# EAST IDAHO LOCAL EAS AREA INCLUDES

**BANNOCK COUNTY** BEAR LAKE COUNTY **BINGHAM COUNTY BONNEVILLE COUNTY BUTTE COUNTY CARIBOU COUNTY CLARK COUNTY CUSTER COUNTY** FRANKLIN COUNTY FREMONT COUNTY JEFFERSON COUNTY LEMHI COUNTY **MADISON COUNTY** ONEIDA COUNTY **POWER COUNTY** SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES **TETON COUNTY** 

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# I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. This plan was prepared by the East Idaho Emergency Alert System (EAS) Local Emergency Communications Committee (LECC) in cooperation with broadcast and cable / wireless media. This plan is used to disseminate emergency information and warnings to the general public across Eastern Idaho or any portion thereof within the broadcast coverage and cable / wireless system service areas at the request of designated Local, State and Federal officials. The East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan may be activated on a day-to-day basis in response to emergencies such as earthquakes, blizzards, floods, severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, civil disorder, chemical or nuclear facility accidents, toxic leaks or any other occurrence which poses a danger to life or property. The East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan is also intended to serve as an information source to local jurisdictions in development of County/Local EAS plans.
- 2. Acceptance of/or participation in this plan shall not be deemed as relinquishing program control, and shall not be deemed to prohibit a broadcast licensee or cable / wireless operator from exercising their independent discretion and responsibility in any given situation. Broadcast stations and cable / wireless systems originating emergency communications shall be deemed to have conferred rebroadcast authority. The concept of management of each broadcast station and cable / wireless system to exercise discretion regarding the transmission of emergency information and instructions to the general public is provided by the FCC rules.
- 3. The East Idaho EAS Local Plan Area encompasses 16 counties and one Indian Tribal Nation. A reception dilemma exists in Eastern Idaho where no radio station can reliably monitor a designated state Primary Entry Point (PEP) (KBOI or KWDZ) due to terrain and overnight changes to signal strength and directional broadcasting. Two alternate sources will carry national alert messages to resolve this dilemma. The State Relay Network will act as one source for national messages. KBYI will act as another source using the National Public Radio (NPR) Satellite Network for reception of national alert messages.

LP-1 and LP-2 designated stations agree to receive and re-transmit all EAS activations which are agreed upon by the Eastern Idaho EAS voting membership for use by other broadcasters and wire / cable systems.

KID is designated as the LP-1 for Eastern Idaho. Two LP-2 stations (one in the north – KUPI and one in the south – KWIK/KPKY) will serve the East Idaho EAS Local Area to cover stations that cannot receive KID's signal and act as a secondary reception method. Participants should monitor the LP-1 and at least one of the LP-2 stations. For added reliability, participants are encouraged to monitor the Idaho State Relay Network (SRN) and the nearest National Weather Service NOAA Weather Radio (NWR).

- **4.** Participating broadcast stations and cable / wireless system members of the East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan will meet annually to conduct the following business:
  - a. Schedule East Idaho tests of the EAS as needed to assure reliability of the second and third level entry points.
  - b. Update the validation list and contact information.
  - c. Update the lists of broadcast stations and cable / wireless system member contact information and monitoring assignments.
  - d. Confirm, change, or appoint various East Idaho Area EAS Working Groups.
  - e. Discuss other business to assure complete and continuous operation of the East Idaho EAS Local Area system.

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### II. STATE AND ALTERNATE ACTIVATIONS OF THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

A Central Activation Center (CAC) has been established at the Idaho State Communications Center (STATECOM) in Meridian, Idaho. The Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security may also activate the EAS from the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) at Gowen Field, in Boise, Idaho. Activations from the CAC or the SEOC are relayed to the targeted EAS service area primarily via the Idaho State Relay Network and broadcast in the local service area via VHF transmitter to the LP-1 and LP-2 locations. In the East Idaho service area, the State Relay Network VHF transmitter operates on a frequency of 159.180 MHz from Sedgwick Peak near Lava Hot Springs, 155.925 MHz from Chinese Peak near Pocatello, ID, 155.535 MHz from East Twin Butte west of Idaho Falls, and 155.520 MHz on Baldy Mtn near Salmon.

The Idaho State Police District 5 & 6 Dispatch Center in Pocatello will serve as a second level entry point for local civil emergency messages for the East Idaho EAS service area and may validate the request using the call-back numbers from the list in Appendix B.

The National Weather Service in Pocatello (KPIH) will use their NOAA Weather Radios as a primary activation point across the East Idaho EAS service area for weather emergencies. The NWS will serve as a third level entry point for local civil emergency messages for the East Idaho EAS service area and may validate the request using the call-back numbers from the list in Appendix B. The NWS will also relay non-weather alerts received from the State Relay Network.

WXL-33

East Twin Butte, west of Idaho Falls 162.550 MHz

KJY57

Relay Ridge, west of Driggs 162.450 MHz

**KZZ-72** 

Sedgwick Peak, SE of Lava Hot Springs 162.425 MHz

The following serve some communities along our southern border. At present they don't relay Idaho non-weather alerts, but plans are in process to change this:

 WXL-63
 WXM-22

 Bear Lake
 Logan, UT

 162.500 MHz
 162.400 MHz

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### III. AUTHORITY

Title 47 U.S.C 151, 154 (I) & (o), 303 (r), 524(G), & 606, and 47 C.F.R. Part 11, FCC Rules & Regulations, Emergency Alert System

FCC Internet EAS Address:

http://www.fcc.gov/eb/eas/

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20554

1-888-225-5322 FAX 202-418-0232

Nothing herein is intended to conflict with the current laws and directives of the FCC and participating members. If any terms of this plan are inconsistent with existing directives of any of the members participating in this plan, those portions of this plan determined to be inconsistent shall be invalid. The remaining terms and conditions not affected by the inconsistency shall remain in force. Upon approval from participating members, this plan shall be updated if portions become invalid.

# IV. LOCAL PRIMARY EAS SOURCES

# East Idaho NORTHERN Area Primary Entry Points

LP-1	KID-AM 590	kHz	KID-FM 96.1	MHz	Idaho Falls
LP-2	KUPI-AM 980	kHz	KUPI-FM 99.1	MHz	Idaho Falls

# East Idaho SOUTHERN Area Primary Entry Points

LP-1	KID-AM 590	kHz	KID-FM 96.1	MHz	Idaho Falls
LP-2	KWIK-AM 124	0 kHz	KPKY-FM 94.9	MHz	Pocatello

# **State of Idaho Primary Entry Points**

PEP KBOI-AM 670 kHz Boise

Alternate National Sources:

KBYI – FM 100.5 MHz Rexburg (Source derived from NPR Satellite Network) State Microwave Relay Network (Source derived from KBOI Boise)

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### V. VALIDATION

Entry point operators may request call-back numbers, etc., in an effort to validate the legitimacy of requests for EAS activation. CAC, SEOC, ISP or NWS, operators handling a request for Civil Emergency Message activation may validate the requestor from the list in Appendix B. The county 24-hour dispatch center (or city dispatch center where applicable) of the requesting agency will serve as the validation point.

### VI. INITIATION & IMPLEMENTATION

# A. Procedures for Authorized "designated" Officials

# 1. Primary Level Activation Procedures

Authorized Officials will request activation of the EAS through the Central Activation Center (CAC) located at the State Communication Center (STATECOM) in Meridian Idaho at (208) XXX-XXXX or 1-800-XXX-XXXX. EAS Message Text may be faxed to the CAC at (208) XXX-XXXX.

If unable to contact CAC then,

# 2. Secondary Level Activation Procedures

EAS activation may be requested through the Idaho State Police (ISP) District 5 & 6 Dispatch Center in Pocatello at (208) XXX-XXXX or XXXX. EAS Message Text may be faxed to the ISP at (208) XXX-XXXX.

If unable to contact CAC or ISP then,

# 3. Third Level Activation Procedures

EAS activation may be requested through the National Weather Service Pocatello Forecast Office at (208) XXX-XXXX or 1-800-XXX-XXXX. EAS Message Text may be faxed to the NWS at (208) XXX-XXXX.

**NOTE:** The National Weather Service will encode and activate the EAS directly from their facility at the Pocatello Airport for severe weather watches and warnings.

4. "Designated" Authorized Officials use the following format when contacting the key EAS sources:

"This is (<u>name/Title</u>) of (<u>Organization</u>). I request that the Emergency Alert System be activated for the East Idaho Local Area because of (<u>Give description of emergency</u>). Please contact (County/City Name) 24-hour dispatch center for validation."

5. Upon **notification**, designated authorized officials and EAS source personnel will determine transmission details (i.e., live or recorded, immediate or delayed and target zones for broadcasting the EAS message, whether text needs to be faxed). Officials should provide emergency program material including a description of the emergency actions being taken by local government, and instructions to the public. EAS message originators shall limit their messages to **two minutes**, the maximum recording time of EAS equipment.

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**6.** Keep line of communication open if necessary.

# B. Procedure for NWS Personnel using NOAA Weather Radio

In the event that the NOAA Weather Radio transmitter(s) are out of service, the Pocatello National Weather Service Authorized Official will use the same contact procedures listed in part of **A** of this section by contacting the CAC first. If unsuccessful, then they will try to contact the Pocatello ISP to request East Idaho EAS service area activation for weather emergencies.

# VII. EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM TESTS

Tests of these EAS procedures shall be conducted on a random or scheduled basis from a point, which originates a common emergency message. Required Monthly Tests (RMTs) will be conducted as provided in the State Plan. References to Local Area Tests in the State Plan's RMT schedule will be conducted by the East Idaho second level (ISP) entry point.

Additionally, the East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan authorizes tests of the EAS system in conjunction with scheduled disaster drills. The "designated" Authorized Official of the county or area conducting a disaster drill will contact the State Communications Center (STATECOM) CAC and request activation of these scheduled tests. Such tests made in conjunction with local or county emergency drills or exercises are coordinated through the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security, Operations Section - EAS Coordinator.

### VIII. MONITORING AND BROADCAST ASSIGNMENTS

# A. Monitoring Assignments

All broadcast stations and participating cable / wireless media are responsible for monitoring at least two (2) primary EAS sources. Stations are encouraged to monitor the LP-1 station and at least one of the LP-2 stations. It is understood that due to unfavorable terrain, alternate sources may in some cases offer the most reliable signal for a particular station to monitor. The FCC Handbook also suggests using the State EAS Relay Network as another frequency to monitor. East Idaho stations are also encouraged to monitor NOAA Weather Radio as a source for weather related or back-up EAS activations.

It will be up to each Station to determine their most reliable source stations, and to ensure that their EAS participation is in compliance with FCC regulations. It is also the responsibility of each station to register their monitoring assignments accordingly with the East Idaho EAS Local Area Emergency Communications Committee. These changes may be done at anytime by contacting a LECC committee member or presenting them at the annual meeting. It is each stations responsibility to ensure that monitoring assignments listed in the East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan are correct so as to remain in compliance with FCC Rules. FCC Part 11.11 specifies the broadcast stations that are exempt from requiring an EAS encoder. They must still comply with other Part 11 requirements.

Cable / wireless system operators who meet the customer base and service area criteria as outlined in FCC Rules are required to carry EAS National alerts. As with broadcasters, cable / wireless system operators are not mandated to participate in State and local EAS programs, but are strongly encouraged to do so. Cable / wireless carriers choosing to participate in the State and Local EAS program must do so in compliance with this plan and the Idaho State EAS Plan.

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# B. Re-Transmission Responsibility (PN)

All Participating National EAS (PN) broadcast stations and cable / wireless operators must retransmit alerts and messages from the National Command Authority.

# C. Non-Participating National (NN) Stations

Broadcast stations and cable / wireless operators not participating in the National EAS System (NN Stations) must, upon receipt of an alert from National Command Authority, broadcast an announcement and then sign off the air immediately, in accordance with FCC Rules. This does not preclude NN stations from participating in State or local activations. If NN stations choose to participate in the State and local system, participation must be in accordance with the East Idaho EAS Local Area Plan and the State of Idaho EAS Plan.

# IX. APPENDICES

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# APPENDIX A

# **Approvals & Signatures**

The East Idaho EAS Area Plan was developed and approved by the East Idaho EAS Local Emergency Communications Committee (LECC).

The plan is coordinated with and distributed to all "designated" City, County, State and Federal officials, and all broadcast stations and cable / wireless systems listed in Appendix C.

This plan is effective as of the date of the last signature below. This plan supersedes all previous plans, revisions, amendments and/or attachments for the East Idaho Area. Subsequent amendments or revisions can be made in writing to the LECC and upon approval shall be incorporated as attachments. This plan shall be reviewed annually by all members and changes made as determined.

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# **APPENDIX B**

# **List of Validation Phone Numbers & FIPS Codes**

Validation: The CAC, ISP, and NWS are staffed 24 hours per day. Counties and other State or Federal

Authorities have predetermined who may activate the EAS on their behalf. The CAC or alternate activation points may contact the Dispatch Center(s) to validate an EAS request

before activating the EAS system.

# **COUNTY VALIDATION PHONE NUMBERS**

BANNOCK	FIPS 16005
BANNOCK COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX XXX-XXX-XXXX (FAX)
BEAR LAKE	FIPS 16007
BEAR LAKE COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX XXX-XXX-XXXX (FAX)
DINCHAM	FIDE 1/011
BINGHAM	<u>FIPS 16011</u>
BINGHAM COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX
DONNEYH I E	EVPC 1 (010
BONNEVILLE	<u>FIPS 16019</u>
BONNEVILLE COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX
BUTTE	FIDS 17033
DUITE	<u>FIPS 16023</u>
BUTTE COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX
CADIDOU	EIDC 17030
CARIBOU	<u>FIPS 16029</u>
CARIBOU COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX XXX-XXX-XXXX (FAX)
CLARV	FIRS 1/022
CLARK	<u>FIPS 16033</u>
CLARK COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH	XXX-XXX-XXXX

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CUSTER FIPS 16037

FRANKLIN FIPS 16041

FRANKLIN COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH

XXX-XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXXX (FAX)

FREMONT FIPS 16043

FREMONT COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH XXX-XXXXX

JEFFERSON FIPS 16051

JEFFERSON COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH XXX-XXXX

LEMHI FIPS 16059

LEMHI COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH XXX-XXXX

MADISON FIPS 16065

ONEIDA FIPS 16071

ONEIDA COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH

XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXXX

(FAX)

POWER FIPS 16077

POWER COUNTY 24-HOUR DISPATCH

XXX-XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXXX (FAX)

**SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES** 

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK 24-HOUR DISPATCH XXX-XXXXX

TETON FIPS 16081

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# STATE & FEDERAL VALIDATION PHONE NUMBERS

**CENTRAL ACTIVATION CENTER (CAC)** 

DIRECTOR SHANA MUNROE XXX-XXXXX

DISPATCH LEAD XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXXX (fax)

IDAHO STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (SEOC)

IDAHO STATE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER (State Com)

BHS DUTY OFFICER ROTATING POSITION XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXX-XXXX (cell phone)

XXX-XXX-XXXX

IDAHO STATE POLICE DISTRICT 5 & 6 DISPATCH CENTER

CAPTAIN STEPHEN JONES XXX-XXXX-XXXX

DISPATCH SUPERVISOR GINA PETERSON XXX-XXXX-XXXX

DISPATCH LEAD XXX-XXXXX

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE-POCATELLO (KPIH)

METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE RICK DITTMANN XXX-XXXX

WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST

VERNON PRESTON XXX-XXXX

LEAD FORECASTER XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXX-XXXX

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# APPENDIX C

# List of Broadcast Stations and Cable / Wireless Systems Monitoring Assignments

Station: KID - AM 590 / FM 96.1 (LP-1)

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KBYI - FM 100.5** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - AM 980** 

Monitoring Assignment 3: State Relay Network 155.535 MHz East Butte

Monitoring Assignment 4: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

Station: **KUPI - AM 980 / FM 99.1** (LP-2 North Area )

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KBYI - FM 100.5** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KID - AM 590** 

Monitoring Assignment 3: State Relay Network 155.535 MHz East Butte

Monitoring Assignment 4: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

Station: KWIK - AM 1240 (LP-2 South Area)

KPKY - FM 94.9 KLLP - FM 98.5

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KBYI - FM 100.5** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KID - FM 96.1** 

Monitoring Assignment 3: State Relay Network 155.925 MHz Pocatello

Monitoring Assignment 4: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

Station: KBYI - FM 100.5 Alternate PEP

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID – FM 96.1**Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI – FM 99.1**Monitoring Assignment 3: **NPR Satellite** 

Monitoring Assignment 4: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

# **BLACKFOOT**

Station: KLCE - FM 97.3

KCVI - FM 101.5 KFTZ - FM 103.3 KTHK - FM 105.5 KECN - AM 690 KICN - AM 1260 KBLI - AM 1620

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Monitoring Assignment 3: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

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# FISH HAVEN

Cable System: Comcast Cable

Monitoring Assignment 1: KSL - AM 1160

Monitoring Assignment 2: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-63 162.500 MHz

### **IDAHO FALLS**

Station: **KEZQ - FM 92.9** 

KWYS - FM 102.9

Monitoring Assignment 1: KID - FM 96.1

Monitoring Assignment 2: NWS NOAA Weather Radio KJY-57 162.450 MHz

Station: **KGTM - FM 98.1** 

**KBJX - FM 106.3** 

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - AM 590**Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - AM 980**Monitoring Assignment 3: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

Station: KIDK - TV Channel 3

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - AM 590** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

Station: KIFI-TV Channel 8

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - AM 590** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

Wireless System: Teton Wireless

Monitoring Assignment 1: KID – FM 96.1 Monitoring Assignment 2: KUPI – FM 99.1

Cable System: Cable One (North Area)

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - AM 590** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

# **MONTPELIER**

Station: KVSI - AM 1450

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KSL - AM 1160** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KID - FM 99.1** 

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# **POCATELLO**

Station: KISU - FM 91.1

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 107.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Station: KRTK - AM 1490

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KIWK - AM 1240** 

Station: KSEI - AM 930

KRXK - AM 1230 KMGI - FM 102.5

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Station: **KZBQ - FM 93.7** 

KORR - FM 104 KOUU - AM 1290

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Station: **KZJB - FM 90.3** 

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

Station: **KPVI - TV Channel 6** 

KFXP - TV Channel 31

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Monitoring Assignment 3: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WXL-33 162.550 MHz

Station: KISU - TV Channel 10

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KWIK - AM 1240** 

Station: **KPIF – TV Channel 15** 

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1**Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

Wireless System: Teton Wireless

Monitoring Assignment 1: KID – FM 96.1 Monitoring Assignment 2: KPKY – FM 94.9

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Cable System: Cable One (South Area)

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KWIK - AM 1240** 

Station: WXL-33- 162.550 MHz, East Butte NOAA Weather Radio

KZZ-72 - 162.425 MHz, Sedgwick NOAA Weather Radio KJY-57 - 162.450 MHz, Driggs NOAA Weather Radio

Monitoring Assignment 1: State Relay Network 155.925 MHz Pocatello

Monitoring Assignment 2: KPKY - FM 94.9

Monitoring Assignment 3: Monitoring Assignment 4:

# **PRESTON**

Station: KACH - AM 1340

Monitoring Assignment 1: KSL - AM 1160

Monitoring Assignment 2: NWS NOAA Weather Radio KZZ-72 162.425 MHz

Monitoring Assignment 3:

Cable System: Comcast Cable

Monitoring Assignment 1: KVNU - AM 610

Monitoring Assignment 2: NWS NOAA Weather Radio KZZ-72 162.425 MHz

# **REXBURG**

Station: KADQ - FM 94.3

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - AM 590** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KUPI - FM 99.1** 

### **SALMON**

Station: **KSRA - AM 960 / FM 92.7** 

Monitoring Assignment 1: State Relay Network 155.520 MHz Salmon

Monitoring Assignment 2: KBSU - FM 91.9 (Twin Falls Translator)

Cable System: Cable One-Salmon

Monitoring Assignment 1: KID - AM 590

Monitoring Assignment 2: KBSU - FM 91.9 (Twin Falls Translator)

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# **SODA SPRINGS**

Station: KFIF - FM 95.3 / 100.1 KBRV - AM 790

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KPKY - FM 94.9** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KID - FM 96.1** 

Cable System: Independent Cable Systems of Idaho

Monitoring Assignment 1: **KID - FM 96.1** Monitoring Assignment 2: **KPKY - FM 94.9** 

# WEST YELLOWSTONE

Station: KWYS - AM 920

Monitoring Assignment 1: KWYS - FM 102.9

Monitoring Assignment 2: NWS NOAA Weather Radio WNG-686 162.425 MHz (Yellowstone)

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# APPENDIX D

# **AMBER Alert Program Criteria**

In order to activate the AMBER Alert Program, five (5) criteria must be met:

- 1. The child must be 18 years or younger, or with a proven mental or physical disability, and police must believe that the child has been abducted (unwillingly taken from his or her environment without permission from the child's parent or guardian).
- 2. The police must believe the child is in danger of serious bodily harm or death.
- 3. There must be enough descriptive information available to believe that its dissemination to the public could help locate the child, suspect and/or the suspect's vehicle.
- 4. The activation must be recommended by a law enforcement agency in the local jurisdiction.
- 5. NON-QUALIFYING USES FOR AMBER ALERT PROGRAM: Based on the above criteria, the following situations WOULD NOT QUALIFY for AMBER Alert activation: Missing child believed to have run away from home; missing child taken by a non-custodial relative in a child custody case; lost child; and, police search for criminal suspects (murder suspect, bank robber, etc.).

### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1. The plan is voluntary between participating broadcasters, cable operators and law enforcement agencies.
- 2. The report of a child abduction is time sensitive. An AMBER Alert activation will be most effective if broadcast as soon as possible after the child abduction. The establishment of lengthy authorization call-down lists or a procedure that requires obtaining activation approval from a particular law enforcement officer is discouraged, as they could be counter productive.
- 3. A Local AMBER Alert Program Plan should establish the basic guidelines to be followed for the activation of an AMBER Alert.
- 4. The Idaho Statewide AMBER Alert Plan provides guidance and authority to the statewide and local AMBER Alert Plans. See Idaho Statewide AMBER Alert Plan for guidance.
- 5. A community should consider including in its Local AMBER Alert Program Plan a provision outlining procedures for sending to, and receiving from, a neighboring community or a bordering state, in the event that a child abduction threatens to, or does, cross a boundary.

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AMBER Alert Message Script (Approved by the ID SECC. This is the AMBER Alert message script to be used by EAS originators)

This is an activation of the AMBER Alert System. This is the
(Name of Governmental Agency)
We have just received this important information regarding an abducted child in
(Area, District, City and/or County)
The (is/are) (Law Enforcement Jurisdiction(s))
looking for a child who was last seen at(Location)
and is believed to be in danger. The child's name is  (Name)
He/She is ayear old,with hair and was last seen(age) (gender) (color) wearing
(Description of clothing)
Authorities say that the child may be in the company of
(Name, Description, clothing, etc.)
and they may be traveling in a that was last that was last
seen heading  (Direction and street/city location)
If you have any information on the whereabouts of this child,
(Name or Description of Child)
please contactimmediately.  (911 or telephone number)

### APPENDIX E

### EAS ACTIVATION "CRIB SHEET" FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- Make sure your county dispatch center is aware of the emergency event. The phone number corresponding to your county in Appendix B will be used to verify this is an authentic emergency.
- Contact one of the Central Activation Centers (CAC), listed here in priority order:
  - State Communications Center ("STATECOM" in Meridian)

XXX-XXX-XXXX XXX-XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXXX (EAS Message Text may be faxed to this number)

• Idaho State Police (ISP) District 5 & 6 Dispatch Center (in Pocatello)

XXX-XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXX-XXXX (EAS Message Text may be faxed to this number)

National Weather Service Pocatello Forecast Office

XXX-XXX-XXXX XXX-XXX-XXXX

XXX-XXX-XXXX (EAS Message Text may be faxed to this number)

• Provide the CAC (normally STATECOM) with the following information:

"This is (<u>name/Title</u>) of (<u>Organization</u>). I request that the Emergency Alert System be activated for the East Idaho Local Area because of (<u>Give description of emergency</u>). Please contact (County/City Name) 24-hour dispatch center for validation."

Any other information requested by the CAC

- What will happen next:
  - The CAC will authenticate you and the emergency with the Dispatch Center listed for your county in Appendix B.
  - The CAC will enter the appropriate emergency "event code" and "location codes" into their EAS software and send the EAS message, along with an appropriate voice message. In less than 2 minutes, this alert will be received and by the various National Weather Service offices and key broadcasters (known as "Local Primaries") in Idaho. Within a matter of minutes it will be broadcast to the public on their transmitters IF they cover the county(s) concerned. The rest of the broadcasters (and cable companies) will receive these alerts and rebroadcast them within a few minutes.

How quickly the alerts get re-broadcast by broadcasters and cable companies depends on the duration of the message (90 seconds max) and how the broadcasters and cable companies have their EAS equipment configured. Many will rebroadcast immediately (as soon as entire message is received) and some will delay it for a few minutes.

• In the case of Amber Alerts, the CAC will also post the alert (and any updates) to the Amber Alert Portal (<a href="www.amberalert.com">www.amberalert.com</a>). Any member of the public (or government) can sign up to this service and be automatically notified via email or pager of Amber alerts within areas of their concern. Much more information (such as pictures) can be sent using this method.

The CAC will also distribute information about the Amber alert via the state's traffic signs and to

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vendors involved with selling lottery tickets.

As a matter of Idaho policy, ALL Amber alerts are sent statewide.

• The above procedures allow local government officials to rapidly get basic emergency information to the public, even when the public is listening to or viewing a station that is automated and has no on-duty personnel. This does not replace the value of getting more detailed information delivered to the news departments of broadcasters.

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